

## **West Virginia Senate**

## **Committee on Government Organization**

Minutes for February 11, 2021, 2:00 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on Government Organization met on February 11, 2021, 2:00 PM in Room 208-W.

Members present: Senators Maynard, Swope, Maroney, Martin, Nelson, Smith, Stover, Sypolt, Woodrum, Caputo, Ihlenfeld, Jeffries, Lindsay

Members absent: Senators Woelfel

A silent roll call being taken, the presence of a quorum was established.

Chairman Maynard introduced the new members of the 2021 Senate Committee on Government Organization.

Chairman Maynard introduced the 2021 Senate Committee on Government Organization staff.

On motion of Senator Swope, the committee adopted the Rules of the Senate to govern the Committee in its deliberations.

On motion of Senator Swope, the committee authorized the Chair to set an agenda of items to be considered by the committee.

On motion of Senator Swope, the committee authorized staff to make, as needed, any technical corrections to the bills, resolutions, and drafts that may be brought before the committee.

On motion of Senator Swope, the committee authorized counsel to incorporate all bills, or resolutions, as well as any necessary technical changes, into a committee substitute for the bill, or resolution, after the bill, or resolution, has been presented to the Committee and the Committee has voted to report the bill, or resolution, and to report it in lieu of the bill, or resolution.

On motion of Senator Swope, the members who are physically present in their Capitol office may participate remotely in committee meetings and hearings as though they were physically present, shall be counted in determining a quorum, and shall vote on every question pursuant to Senate Rule 43. The Chair shall provide for simultaneous video and audio participation among all members.

On motion of Senator Swope, the committee adopted a rule that all witnesses appearing before the committee, with the exception of Senate staff and elected officials, will be administered the oath authorized by Senate Rule 28a.

On Motion of Senator Swope the committee adjourned.

Mark F. Maynard, Chair

Sabel Kinnison, Analyst/Clerk